

Amendment

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**Amendments to the Claims:**

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently Amended): A histological specimen retaining device for processing tissue, said device comprising: a foldable liquid permeable sheet having edges; a liquid permeable target disposed on the foldable liquid permeable sheet within the edges of said sheet, thereby providing extended flap portions which flap portions are foldable to overlap the liquid permeable target; and a malleable securing strip attached to the foldable liquid permeable sheet of a length sufficient to secure said folded flap portions overlapping said liquid permeable target, wherein the liquid is ~~utilized in~~ histological examination liquid.

2. (Previously Presented): The histological specimen retaining device of claim 1 further comprising wherein the malleable securing strip is attached at an edge of the liquid permeable sheet.

3. (Original): The histological specimen retaining device of claim 1, wherein the malleable securing strip is a metal wire.

4. (Original): The histological specimen retaining device of claim 1, wherein the malleable securing strip is metal foil.

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5. (Previously Presented): The histological specimen retaining device of claim 1, further comprising wherein the liquid permeable target is coated with a release agent.

6. (Previously Presented): The histological specimen retaining device of claim 1, wherein the liquid permeable target is a liquid permeable paper sheet.

7. (Previously Presented): The histological specimen retaining device of claim 1, further comprising an X and Y coordinate marking lines on the liquid permeable target.

8. (Cancelled).

9. (Cancelled).

10. (Cancelled).